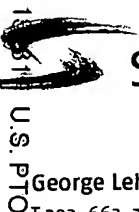


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 Our Ref. Q80058

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising fourteen (14) sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, and three (3) sheets of drawings. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement, a Form PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified), seven (7) references, with an International Search Report, a German Office Action and a partial translation and the German Office Action. **Copies of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date.**

The present application is being filed as a Continuation Application, under 35 U.S.C. § 111 (a) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.53, of International Application PCT/DE02/03387, filed September 11, 2002, in accordance with the procedures outlined in Sections 1895 et seq. of the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure. To facilitate the Examiner's review, Applicants are submitting herewith a copy of the Cover Page of the published International Application and a copy of Applicants' PCT Request.

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